Amendments to the Claims:

1-15. (cancelled)

16. (previously presented) A security document comprising a substrate (P) as a first constituting part, and at least one other constituting part (1,2,3) such as a security thread, a window or a foil, wherein a same, and a first ink-based security element (S) being applied to or comprised in one of the constituting parts (P,1,2,3), said security element (S) having identifiable properties, the presence of said properties serving as a first authenticating feature for said security document, is contained a first time on or in the substrate (P) or on or in one said constituting parts (1,2,3),

wherein at least a further security element (S) having substantially the same identifiable properties is applied to or comprised in at least another of the constituting parts (P,1,2,3) and a second time in an ink or coating printed on said substrate (P) as a second security feature,

wherein said first and second security element (S) are is chosen from the group consisting of optically variable pigments, multi-layer thin-film interference pigments, liquid-crystal pigments, holographic pigments, interference-coated particles, thermochromic pigments, photochromic pigments, luminescent compounds, infrared-absorbing compounds, UV-absorbing compounds, magnetic compounds, micro-engraved or micro-textured flake pigments, and forensic marking compounds, wherein said first and the further security elements are materially the same;

and wherein said first and second security element (S) are is applied or added to the constituting parts (P,1,2,3) in a manner to allow a comparison of their properties as a third security feature.

17. (canceled)

- 18. (previously presented) A security document according to claim 16, wherein said security document is selected from the group consisting of a banknote, a value paper, an identification document, an access card, a security label and a packaging.
- 19. (previously presented) A security document according to claim 16, wherein said substrate (P) is chosen from the group consisting of papers, cardboards, textiles, foils, printing layers and polymer sheets.
- 20. (previously presented) A security document according to claim 16, wherein said other constituting parts (1,2,3) are chosen from the group consisting of printing inks, security threads, windows, fibers, planchettes, foils and decals.

21 - 23. (canceled)

- 24. (currently amended) A security document according to claim 16, wherein said security elements are element is chosen from the group comprising consisting of covert security elements.
- 25. (currently amended) A method for producing a security document comprising a substrate (P) as a first constituting part and at least another constituting part (1,2,3) such as a security thread, a window or a foil, said method comprising the steps of
- a) applying or adding a first same, ink-based security element (S) to one of said constituting parts (P,1,2,3), said security element (S) having identifiable properties, the presence of said properties serving as a first authenticating feature for said security document a first time onto or into the substrate (P) or on or in one of said constituting parts (1,2,3).
- b) applying or adding at least a further said security element (S) a second time through printing onto said substrate (P) having substantially the same identifiable properties to another of the constituting parts (P.1.2.3) as a second security feature,

wherein materially the same security element (S) is applied or added to two or more different constituting parts (P) of said security documents;

wherein said first and further security elements element (S) are is chosen from the group consisting of optically variable pigments, multi-layer thin-film interference pigments, liquid-crystal pigments, holographic pigments, interference-coated particles, thermochromic pigments, photochromic pigments, luminescent compounds, infrared-absorbing compounds, UV-absorbing compounds, magnetic compounds, micro-engraved or micro-textured flake pigments, and forensic marking compounds,

and wherein said security elements element (S) are is applied or added to the constituting parts (P,1,2,3) in a manner to allow a comparison of their properties as a third security feature.

26. (canceled)

27. (currently amended) A method according to claim 25, wherein at least one of said security elements element (S) is applied to a constituting part (P,1,2,3) by a coating or printing procedure.